Road Accidents

348. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of road accidents in the country during the year 1992 till date, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number of road fatalities during the same periods; State/Union Territory-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to bring down the number of road accidents in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b) Information is not available and will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The steps taken/being taken by the Central Government and State Governments are detailed in Statement.

Statement

The Steps taken/being taken include—

1. The M.V. Act, 1988 and the Rules framed thereunder provide for stricter requirements in respect of issu ance of driving licences, and stringent penalties for offences.
2. Formal training in a driving school is made a pre-requisite for issuance of licence to drive transport vehicles
3. Maximum safe laden weights have been prescribed for trucks including light commercial vehicles.
4. Maximum speed limts have been prescribed for all vehicles except ligh motor vehciles.
5. Uniform intervals for checking the fitness of vehicles have been prescribed throughout the country.
6. It is prescribed that road safety devices would be fitted in the vehicles viz. direction indicators with blinker system for vehicles, special labels on carriages carrying dangerous or hazardous goods.
7. A national Road Safety Council has been set up for formulation of road safety measures. State Governments were also requested to set up State level road safety councils.
8. Strict and rigid enforcement of traffic rules and regulations.
9. Regular special drive against rash and negligent driving, driving without driving licences, drunken driving, defective headlights, over-speeding, over-loading etc.
10. Regular prosecution of violation through issue of notices.
11. School children are regularly imparted necessary training/education in the schools about the rules of the roads and related safety aspects by the road safety cell of Delhi Traffic Police.
12. Introduction of blinkers/signals at accident prone areas.
13. Prosecution through Radar Guns.
14. More Police presence in accident prone areas.
15. Special morning drives and night mobile patrolling.
16. Use of Doordarashan/AIR/Press for giving wide publicity on road safety.
17. Painting of bus boxes, yellow boxes.
18. Special night checking on Highways.
19. Special drive against buses, HTVs. TSRs, Taxis etc.
20. Painting competitions and other road safety activities are being organised by Road Safety Cell to inculcate the sense of road safety among various road users and children.

Road Accidents on National Highways

349. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state ;

(a) what is the number of total road accidents on the National Highways during the

last three years, year-wise and till March, 1992; and

(b) what steps Government are taking to check the increase in the rate of accidents on National Highways ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISRTY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) The total number of road accidents on National Highways during *1989—91* is as under :

1989	71,633
1990	76,400
1991	78,223 (estimated)
1992 (till March)	20,000 (estimated)

(b) The steps taken/being taken by the Central Government and State Governments are detailed in the Statement.

Statement

The Steps taken/being taken include—

1. The M.V. Act, 1988 and the Rules framed thereunder provide for stricter requirements in respect of issuance of driving licences, and stringent penalties for offences.
2. Formal training in a driving school is made a pre-requisite for issuance of licence to drive transport vehicles.
3. Maximum safe laden weights have been prescribed for trucks including light commercial vehicles.
4. Maximum speed limits have been prescribed for all vehicles except light motor vehicles.
5. Uniform intervals for checking the fitness of vehicles have been prescribed throughout the country.
6. It is prescribed that road safety devices would be fitted in the vehicles viz. direction indicators with blinker system for vehicles, special labels on cariages carrying dangerous or hazardous goods.
7. Introduction of blinkers/signals at accident prone areas.
8. More Police presence in accident prone areas.
9. Use of Doordarshan/AIR/Press for giving wide publicity on road safety.
10. Special night checking on Highways.

उत्तर प्रदेश में क्षतिग्रस्त राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग

350. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश में कितने राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग क्षतिग्रस्त हैं, और

(ख) गत दो वर्षों के दौरान इन राजमार्गों की मरम्मत के लिए क्या-क्या प्रस्ताव थे तथा मरम्मत-कार्य पर राजमार्ग-वार कितनी-कितनी धनराशि व्यय की गई ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाइटलर) : (क) ग्यारह राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य से गुजरते हैं, इन राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों की कुल लम्बाई 2613 कि० मी० है।

(ख) राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों का अनुरक्षण और मरम्मत एक सतत प्रक्रिया है। राज्य में सभी राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों के लिए प्रति वर्ष राज्य द्वारा प्रस्ताव तैयार किए जाते हैं और संसाधनों की समग्र उपलब्धता के अनुसार आबंटन किए जाते हैं। पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों के अनुरक्षण पर किया गया खर्च नीचे दिया गया है :

वर्ष	खर्च (लाख रु०)
1990-91	1,142.80
1991-92 (2/92 तक)	1,169.04

राष्ट्रीय जल-मार्गों पर नौवहन सुविधाएं

351. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राष्ट्रीय जल-मार्गों पर 1990-91 के प्रस्ताव के अनुसार नौवहन सुविधाएं अभी तक उपलब्ध नहीं करायी गई हैं,